



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 4, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: This week brought minimal precipitation and varying temperatures to Wyoming, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The majority of the State received 0.4 inches or less of moisture this week, with many areas receiving less than 0.01 inches of precipitation. Reports from Goshen county indicated scattered showers were able to keep grazing conditions stable this week, but a forecast of high temperatures is expected to decrease irrigation water and continue to dry out pastures. Comments from multiple counties indicated the scattered showers did not provide enough moisture to improve conditions. Temperatures across the State varied this week. Daily high temperatures ranged from 2 degrees below average along the southern border to 6 degrees above average along the northern border. Daily low temperatures were 2 degrees above average this week for most of the State. Overall, daily temperatures remained slightly above average for this time of year; however, the southeastern corner remained cooler with daily temperatures 2 to 4 degrees below average. The lack of moisture increased severe and extreme drought conditions in the State - with extreme drought conditions becoming present in Uinta county. According to the United States Drought Monitor for July 1, 2021, the amount of land rated as abnormally dry was 13.7 percent, compared to 18.9 percent last week. Moderate drought was present across 30.8 percent of the State, a decrease from 36.3 percent last week. Severe drought increased 10.4 percentage points from 33.7 percent last week to 44.1 percent of the State this week. Extreme drought conditions increased from 8.7 percent last week to 9.0 percent this week. Overall, 97.6 percent of the State is experiencing drought conditions, unchanged from last week. Producers in Washakie and Hot Springs county reported range conditions are continuing to decline. Reports from Weston county indicated water sources are drying up and producers are requesting assistance with livestock, and dryland hay conditions are being reported as very poor and pastures are being described as dry and brittle. Producers in Lincoln county reported weevils are eating the first crop of alfalfa hay. There were reports from Platte county of scattered moisture, but the county is still dry and in need of substantial moisture. Platte county reported wheat is nearing harvest and other field crops are continuing to progress. Converse county reported the first cutting of hay is finishing up. Barley and winter wheat are starting to mature - barley was reported at 2 percent mature and winter wheat was reported at 12 percent mature. The second cutting of alfalfa hay is underway and was reported at 4 percent harvested, compared to 3 percent harvested this time last year. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 22 percent very short, 36 percent short, 41 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared to 23 percent very short, 36 percent short, 40 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa				
1 st cutting harvested.....	83	69	80	78
2 nd cutting harvested.....	4	NA	3	1
Barley				
Booted	95	73	91	84
Headed	76	62	71	56
Turning color.....	28	13	22	13
Mature	2	NA	NA	NA
Dry edible beans				
Emerged	99	85	NA	NA
Blooming.....	4	--	5	2
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	50	34	51	52
Winter Wheat				
Headed	80	58	81	74
Turning color.....	35	10	41	35
Mature	12	--	1	7

NA – not available
(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION				
	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.7	6.3	6.3	6.4
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	22	16	20	9
Short.....	46	51	46	30
Adequate	30	31	34	57
Surplus	2	2	--	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	35	32	19	10
Short.....	34	33	46	27
Adequate	30	34	35	61
Surplus	1	1	--	2

NA – not available
(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	6	1	--	1
Poor.....	14	12	15	8
Fair.....	28	34	16	17
Good	46	46	69	69
Excellent	6	7	--	5
Barley				
Very poor	1	1	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	4	5
Fair.....	23	23	9	9
Good	74	74	74	83
Excellent	1	1	13	3
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	3	3
Fair.....	17	19	14	11
Good	81	79	79	84
Excellent	2	2	4	2
Dry edible beans				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	3
Fair.....	10	10	15	10
Good	87	87	85	85
Excellent	3	3	--	2
Other hay				
Very poor	3	3	--	1
Poor.....	8	7	7	6
Fair.....	58	57	15	16
Good	28	29	78	75
Excellent	3	4	--	2
Pasture and range				
Very poor	13	12	11	6
Poor.....	31	30	20	11
Fair.....	35	38	32	24
Good	20	19	31	52
Excellent	1	1	6	7
Sugarbeets				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	11	11	--	4
Fair.....	24	24	--	16
Good	64	64	100	79
Excellent	1	1	--	1
Winter wheat				
Very poor	3	1	8	4
Poor.....	9	8	9	7
Fair.....	63	63	29	31
Good	24	27	54	54
Excellent	1	1	--	4
Livestock				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	2	2	1	1
Fair.....	23	24	6	9
Good	74	73	88	82
Excellent	1	1	5	8

NA – not available

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